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SUBJECT: TAW
REF : STATE 16769

1. AFRICA MAGAZINE, ISSUE NO. 74, OCTOBER 1977 IN STORY BEGINNING PAGE 67, STATED "CURRENTLY ONE OF THE LARGEST AFRO-AMERICAN FIRMS ENGAGED IN INTERNATIONAL TRADE -- TAW INTERNATIONAL LEASING, INC. -- EARNED ONE OF ITS LARGE CONTRACTS WITH THE GABONESE GOVERNMENT." ARTICLE SUPPLIED NO FURTHER INFORMATION RE PUTATIVE TAW-GOG CONTRACT. REFERENCE TO "TAW INTERNATIONAL LEASING, INC.," WHICH IS INCORPORATED IN DELAWARE, MAY BE INCORRECT SINCE TAW OPERATING SUBSIDIARY IN AFRICA IS "TAW INTERNATIONAL LEASING CORPORATION," INCORPORATED IN LIBERIA.

2. OPIC WOULD APPRECIATE POST'S ASCERTAINING FOLLOWING WITH RESPECT THIS CONTRACT:
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(A) WHETHER IN FACT IT EXISTS, AND

(B) IF SO, DATE SIGNED, FOR WHAT TERM, FOR HOW MANY VEHICLES OF WHAT TYPE, AND APPROXIMATE VALUE OF PAYMENTS ON EITHER ANNUAL OR FULL-CONTRACT-TERM BASIS.

3. WOULD ALSO BE HELPFUL IF ANY INFO COULD BE OBTAINED
RE WHICH LOCAL BANK(S) TAW-LIBERIA USES. ALSO, CAN YOU
ADVISE WHETHER, SINCE TAW-LIBERIA IS IN THE LEASING
BUSINESS, IT IS CONSIDERED A FINANCIAL INSTITUTION
(I.E., IN THE SAME CATEGORY UNDER LOCAL COMMERCIAL LAW
AS BANKS).

4. THIS DATA NEEDED IN CONNECTION WITH LITIGATION
MENTIONED REFTTEL. WOULD BE OF EXTREME VALUE IF RESPONSE
RE PARA 2 (CONTRACT) DATA COULD BE FORWARDED BY CIRCA
APRIL 7. THAT DATE NOT CRITICAL, HOWEVER, AND OPIC
UNDERSTANDS DIFFICULTIES POST MAY FACE IN OBTAINING SUCH
DATA AND REALIZES PARA 3 (BANK) DATA MAY NOT BE AVAILABLE
AT ALL.

5. OPIC CONTINUES TO BE INTERESTED IN ANY RESPONSE POST
MAY BE ABLE TO ELLICIT TO DIPNOTE MENTIONED REFTTEL.

6. MANY THANKS FOR YOUR CONTINUING ASSISTANCE. COOPER

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